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## SOCIETY AFFAIRS

### NORTH CAROLINA SECTION

The first annual convention of the North Carolina Section was held at Greensboro on December 9 and 10, 1921, at the O. Henry Hotel. The meeting was well attended and enthusiastic. Over fifty water works superintendents from various parts of the state attended the sessions.

The following general program will give some idea of the variety of subjects presented and discussed:

"Filter Plant Operation and Training of Operators," by George F. Catlett. Discussion by L. O. Craig, George D. Norcomb, W. E. Vest, H. L. Shaner, Thorndike Saville, and J. L. Ludlow.

In the evening of December 9, the meeting was addressed by the Mayor of Greensboro, by the president of the Section, Colonel Ludlow, and by Dr. W. S. Rankin, Secretary of the North Carolina State Board of Health.

On December 10, these papers were presented:

"Problems of the Interconnection of Water Supplies for Fire Protection," by Thorndike Saville.

"Water Supply and Fire Protection," by S. B. Brockwell of the State Insurance Department.

"Public Utility Accounting in Small Towns," by W. J. Root.

"Maintenance Problems," a topical discussion led by M. M. Boyles.

Secretary Diven addressed the Section at a luncheon. He announced that this Section would win undoubtedly the membership cup for the best showing in increased membership during this year.

The officers for the coming year are: Chairman, J. L. Ludlow, Winston-Salem, N. C.; vice-president, J. C. Michie, Durham, N. C.; secretary, Thorndike Saville, Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

The next annual convention will be held in Gastonia, North Carolina.

### NEW YORK SECTION

The March meeting of the New York Section was opened at Brown's Chop House, New York City, on March 2, 1922. The

attendance was one of the largest of any of the recent meetings. While lunch was being served, the members were entertained by Harry Armstrong, a professional singer.

Beekman C. Little, ex-president of the American Water Works Association, read a paper on men, methods, and materials in the water works field, entitled "Some Water Works Supply Men I Have Met." The paper was discussed by David Decrow, D. W. French, John M. Diven, R. K. Blanchard and Dennis P. O'Brien.

Frank T. Kemble was elected to fill a vacancy on the board of governors to replace George A. Johnson. Three new members and one associate were elected to the section.

The board of governors will hold their organization meeting at the National Convention in Philadelphia. The next meeting of the section will be called in the fall.

#### NOTICE

The Committee on Industrial Wastes in Relation to Water Supply is seeking information relative to water supplies in this country affected by industrial wastes, the nature and effect of the objectionable substances, remedies applied and the laws and court decisions relating to the matter. Will those members of the Association having such information kindly furnish the same to the Chairman, Almon L. Fales, 14 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass.?

#### CORRECTION

The paper entitled "A Facultative Spore-Forming Lactose-Fermenting Organism from Iowa Surface Waters" (*JOURNAL*, March, 1922, page 330) is a contribution from the Department of Bacteriology and Pathology of the State University of Iowa.

#### NOTICE FOR ABSTRACTS

In order to facilitate the preparation of the abstracts, it is requested that members forward all city and department water system reports for review to H. E. Jordan, Indianapolis Water Co., Indianapolis, Ind.